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MEMORANDUM FOR V Corps Commanders

SUBJECT: Reintegration Upon Redeployment to USAREUR

- 1. I want to ensure leaders, soldiers, and their families understand the reintegration process. Reintegration is a deliberate process that facilitates a soldier's transition back to a normal military lifestyle with family, friends, and the community. I am committed to a quality reunification for our soldiers and their families. Our Rear Detachments in conjunction with their local Base Support Battalions will coordinate and track reintegration.
- 2. Soldiers will complete part of the reintegration process while they are still deployed. Also, training and reunion support is available to family members in Central Region prior to the soldiers' redeployment. Soldiers will work a half-day schedule for the first seven consecutive days upon their return. The focus will be on completion of reintegration tasks. After the seven day reintegration program units will go on a 30-day period of block leave. Soldiers are highly encouraged to take leave but it is not mandatory. Rear detachments will remain operational through the 30 days of block leave. Unit commanders are not authorized to move the block leave for their units to another timeframe, but will need to group returning soldiers into manageable groups to facilitate the seven-day reintegration training.
- 3. Commanders will take an active role in this process and adhere to the standards outlined by the chain of command. Many of our troopers have endured significant trauma and hardship and we owe them and their family our best effort during the entire process.
- 4. All members of the V Corps team, soldiers, families, and civilians have performed magnificently over the last year. Our families have endured many hardships supporting us and we owe them and ourselves the opportunity to adjust to being reunited. I am confident we will perform the reintegration mission with the same level of effort and pride that I see everyday throughout the formation.

5. Victory!

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